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SUBJ: SCC MEETING OCTOBER 29 (SCC-II 018)

1. SOVIET SIDE TABLED REVISED PARAS 3, 4, 5 AND 6 OF ABM PROTOCOL AS INDICATED BELOW (SOVIET TRANSLATION). PARA 3 DIFFERS FROM US PROPOSAL OF OCT 23 BY OMITTING PROPOSED US CHANGES, INSERTING PHRASE INDICATING THAT ONLY REPLACE-MENT PART OF ARTICLE VII OF ABM TREATY IS APPLICABLE, AND DROPS WORDS (AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES". PARA 4 AND 5 ADOPTS US PROPOSED LANGUAGE WITH PARA 4 CHANGING "SOFT" TO "ABOVE-GROUND" IN ACCORDANCE WITH I.A US PROPOSED PROCEDURES. PARA 5 INCLUDES "ADEQUATE." PARA 6 IDENTICAL WITH SIMILAR PARA PROPOSED BY US SIDE LATER TODAY. GRAYBEAL INDICATED APPARENT AGREEMENT IN SUBSTANCE BUT WOULD STUDY CHANGES IN PARA 3 AND RETURN TO THESE LATER.

PARAGRAPH 3 -

"DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION OF ABM SYSTEMS OR THEIR COMPONENTS, RESULTING FROM IMPLEMENTING ARTICLE VII IN REPLACING THESE SYSTEMS AND THEIR COMPONENTS, AND ARTICLE VIII OF THE AFOREMENTIONED ABM TREATY SHALL ENSURE THAT THE SYSTEMS OR COMPONENTS WOULD BE PUT IN A CONDITION THAT PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR USE FOR ABM PURPOSES;

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SHALL ENSURE THAT REACTIVATION OF UNITS DISMANTLED OR

DESTROYED WOULD BE DETECTABLE BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS;  
SHALL BE SUCH THAT REACTIVATION TIME OF SUCH UNITS WOULD  
NOT BE SUBSTANTIALLY LESS THAN THE TIME REQUIRED FOR NEW  
CONSTRUCTION, AND SHALL PRECLUDE UNREASONABLE DELAYS IN  
DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION."

PARAGRAPH 4 -

"REPLACEMENT AND DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES  
SHALL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY FOR ABOVE-GROUND AND SILO  
ABM LAUNCHERS AND FOR ABM RADARS."

PARAGRAPH 5 -

"REPLACEMENT AND DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES  
SHALL ENSURE THAT ADEQUATE VERIFICATION CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED  
BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XII  
OF THE AFOREMENTIONED TREATY."

PARAGRAPH 6 -

"AFTER DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
THE ATTACHED PROCEDURES, THE FACILITIES REMAINING AT ABM  
LAUNCH AND RADAR SITES, MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SIDES,  
BE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE  
PROVISIONS OF THE AFOREMENTIONED TREATY AND APPLICABLE  
AGREED STATEMENTS".

2. USTINOV REPEATED SOVIET VIEWS RE PRIOR NOTIFICATION  
AND NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS AND EXPLICITLY STATED THAT  
US PROPOSAL FOR PARA I.D. CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED. HE THEN  
TABLED REVISED PARA 7 OF ABM PROTOCOL AND REVISED PARAS.  
ON NOTIFICATION FOR SECTIONS I AND II OF SPECIFIC  
PROCEDURES AS FOLLOWS (SOVIET TRANSLATION):

PARAGRAPH 7 -

"THROUGH APPROPRIATE PROCEDURES, THE PARTIES SHALL  
NOTIFY EACH OTHER OF THE NUMBER OF DISMANTLED OR DESTROYED  
ABM LAUNCHERS AND RADARS AND THE NUMBER OF ABM LAUNCHERS  
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AND RADARS USED FOR REPLACEMENT."

TO SECTION I -

"NOTIFICATION THAT THE ACTIVITIES CALLED FOR IN  
PARAGRAPH A AND B HAVE BEEN COMPLETED SHALL BE GIVEN  
TWICE ANNUALLY REFLECTING THE STATUS AS OF THE BEGINNING  
OF EACH REGULAR SESSION OF THE COMMISSION."

TO SECTION II -

"NOTIFICATION THAT THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN COMPLETED SHALL BE GIVEN THROUGH THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION."

GRAYBEAL REPEATED US POSITION ON NOTIFICATION THAT (A) NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS ADEQUATE FOR VERIFICATION; (B) ABM TREATY, INTERIM AGREEMENT AND PROTOCOL DO NOT EITHER SPECIFICALLY REQUIRE OR PROHIBIT PRIOR NOTIFICATION; (C) NOTIFICATION PROPOSED BY US SIDE DESIGNED TO ENHANCE VIABILITY OF AGREEMENTS AND REDUCE MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND UNCERTAINTIES. HE ADDED THAT SOVIET PROPOSALS WOULD BE STUDIED AS SHOULD US PROPOSALS.

3. GRAYBEAL FORMALLY TABLED PROPOSAL HE HAD MADE PRIVATELY AT LAST MEETING (SEE USSCC GENEVA 5666, PARA 2). USTINOV REPEATED STATEMENT THAT HE THOUGHT WE COULD FIND A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION TO THIS QUESTION ON THE BASIS SUGGESTED.

4. IN PRIVATE EXCHANGE GRAYBEAL EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF US CONCEPT FOR PARA II.4 REGARDING USE OF FACILITIES REMAINING AT ICBM SITES. USTINOV AND KARPOV REPEATED THAT FORMULATION WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO SOVIET SIDE, CONCEPT IS CONTAINED IN PRESENT LANGUAGE (PARA 3 OF PROTOCOL AND PARA II.1 OF PROCEDURES), AND THAT DESTRUCTION AND DISMANTLING PROCEDURES MUST NOT EXCEED SCOPE OF INTERIM AGREEMENT AND ITS PROTOCOL.

5. NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 1. GRAYBEAL

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